Working together

In the Argentine Journal of Cardiology, the President's letter is primarily used to communicate to its members what is being done in the Society. First of all, having already expressed our objectives, and highlighting the foregoing in this space, this Society (group of people meeting with a purpose) needs to work in association with its members. A Society takes its place if its members have a feeling of belonging and identify with its values.

Much has been done in these 76 years but, as a structure, it needs rethinking and adjustment. Firstly, it is important to mention that in recent years the Society has been consolidating its service structure through better management and improved economic and financial positioning. The problems that scientific societies are undergoing for different reasons are well-known, and in this sense we are working intensely. Thus, the leadership of the institution will be strengthened if, as an organization, we are in a position to implement projects.

Societies can be advisory or participatory; this being understood as the possibility of being passive receptors of resolutions or being active contributors. In this aspect, we try to be as participatory as possible, thus, generating greater commitment. Of the 5000 members of our institution a significant number of partners (members) work in other areas outside the Steering Committee: in the Areas, Councils, Districts, Congress, Courses, and Seminars, involving

at least 1000 members per year with active participation. While this is significant, we wish to extend this contribution to online situations, allowing positions of greater responsibility from anywhere in the country. No one imagines that all those working in the American College of Cardiology live in Washington, or that those who work in the European Society of Cardiology work from Nice (which must be desired by many). Thus, the purpose of the Society is to be increasingly inclusive by working towards a better communication and tool implementation

Finally, we understand that the Society must actively collaborate in providing its members with a launching platform, both from different areas and from the Journal, to spread their work and to be a source of information which will in turn improve our knowledge. In this regard, the amount of information in recent years has been overwhelming; however, we do not need more information but better information, which of course, is not a simple task.

Today we should not practice eminence-based but evidence-based medicine, which is the basis of clinical guidelines and consensuses. Quoting a Japanese proverb: "None of us is as smart as all of us."

Let us work together for these purposes.

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